

## CLAIMS

1. A communication system, comprising:

a plurality of subscriber units, each subscriber unit having dispatch capability

5 and a unit ID associated therewith; and

a dispatch console for communicating with the plurality of subscriber units,  
the dispatch console automatically logging the unit ID of each subscriber units that  
responds to an incident broadcast and forming a talkgroup of the logged unit IDs for  
future incident broadcasts.

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2. The communication system of claim 1, wherein each subscriber unit includes  
a channel selector and the future incident broadcasts are received regardless of  
the channel selector position.

15 3. The communication system of claim 1, wherein the subscriber units are two-  
way radios.

4. The communication system of claim 1, wherein the subscriber units have  
simplex and duplex capability.

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5. The communication system of claim 4, wherein the subscriber units have  
cellular capability and dispatch capability.

6. The communication system of claim 1, wherein the dispatch console comprises at least one of a stationary dispatch console and a mobile incident command console.

7. A method of broadcasting an incident alert in a communications system having a dispatch console and a plurality of two-way radios, comprising:
- broadcasting an incident alert from the dispatch console;
  - responding to the incident alert from at least one of the plurality of two-way
- 5 radios;
- logging a unit ID associated with each of the two-way radios that responded to the incident alert at the dispatch console;
  - forming a grouping of the logged IDs at the dispatch console;
  - moving amongst various talkgroups of the two-way radios; and
- 10 broadcasting another incident alert from the dispatch console to the two-way radios associated with the grouping of logged IDs.

8. A method of broadcasting an incident alert in a communications system having a dispatch console and a plurality of subscriber units having unit IDs, comprising:

- 5       broadcasting a signal from the dispatch console;
- responding to the broadcast from at least one of the subscriber units;
- grouping, at the dispatch console, the unit IDs associated with each of the subscriber units that responded to the broadcast;
- changing channels amongst the subscriber units;
- broadcasting another signal from the dispatch console; and
- 10      receiving the broadcast, regardless of current channel, at the subscriber units by regrouping the subscriber units into a talkgroup formed of the grouped IDs.

9. The method of claim 8, wherein the plurality of subscriber units comprise two-way radios.

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10. The method of claim 8, wherein the plurality of subscriber units have both simplex and duplex capability.

11. The method of claim 8, wherein the subscriber units have cellular  
20   capability as well as dispatch capability.